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Local Firm Lands Contract for High-Speed Rail Work

Clovis-based Blair Church & Flynn is a Native-American-Owned Small Business

FRESNO, Calif. – In an effort to ensure that local small businesses are able to compete on the high-speed rail project, the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) and the design-build contractor, Tutor-Perini/Zachary/Parsons (TPZP) announced the execution of a contract with Clovis-based Blair Church & Flynn Consulting Engineers (BC&F) for utility re-location design work in the Central Valley. As a Native-American-owned small business, this contract contributes towards the Authority's small business participation goals.

The $1.6 million contract is for utility relocation design work within the first construction package (CP1), which runs from Avenue 17 in Madera to East American Avenue in Fresno. Plans and specifications for the relocation of existing facilities will be prepared by BC&F for Madera Irrigation District, Fresno Irrigation District, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, and the City of Fresno. Typical utilities to be relocated will include irrigation facilities, storm drain lines, and water and sewer mains.

"We are committed to ensuring that Central Valley companies are a part of designing and building this transformative project," said the Authority's Central Valley Regional Director Diana Gomez. "Valley companies provide valuable local expertise and we are serious about making an effort get businesses in the Central Valley to work."

"Our firm is a natural fit, offering a local, proven resource with more than 55 years of experience providing civil engineering to the Fresno area and key utility stakeholders," said David Mowry President and CEO of BC&F. "The utility relocation work involves long-term clients we care deeply about. We understand their infrastructure and know first-hand how important reliable utility service is to our community."

The Authority is meeting and exceeding goals set out in a small business program which includes a 30 percent participation goal for small businesses competing for contracts with the Authority. The small business program also includes a 10 percent participation goal for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises and a 3 percent participation goal for Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises.

About the High-Speed Rail Authority

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) is responsible for planning, designing, building and operation of the first high-speed rail system in the nation. By 2029, the system will run from San Francisco to the Los Angeles basin in under three hours at speeds capable of over 200 miles per hour. The system will eventually extend to Sacramento and San Diego, totaling 800 miles with up to 24 stations. In addition, the Authority is working with regional partners to implement a statewide rail modernization plan that will invest billions of dollars in local and regional rail lines to meet the state's 21st century transportation needs. To learn more visit the Authority's website at www.hsr.ca.gov and join us on facebook.com/CaliforniaHighSpeedRail and follow us at twitter.com/cahsra.

About Tutor Perini Zachary Parsons, A Joint Venture

Tutor Perini/Zachry/Parsons, a Joint Venture (TPZP), is a California-based team with major national and international experience and a history of success on landmark California design-build infrastructure projects, such as the Alameda Corridor Mid-Corridor Trench in Los Angeles and the BART SFO Extension design-build projects. The California High-Speed Rail Authority has awarded Tutor Perini/ Zachry/ Parsons, A Joint Venture (TPZP), the contract to design and construct, California High-Speed Rail Construction Package 1 (CP1) from Madera to Fresno.

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